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## Documents considered to be relevant:

Category	Relevant to claims	Identity of document and passage or figure of particular relevance	
A	-	EP 1271364 A2	ERDMAN SOFTWARE GmbH see abstract.
A	-	US 5377307	HOSKINS et al. see abstract.
X	1,12 and 20 at least	EP 0373737 A2	SCHLUMBERGER TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED see p.4 l.51- p.5 l.55 and figures.
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